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[on the report of the Third Committee (A/45/744)]

45/84. Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to the racist and colonialist régime of South Africa

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 39/15 of 23 November 1984, 41/95 of 4 December 1986 and 43/92 of 8 December 1988,

1. Expresses its appreciation to the Special Rapporteur of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities for his updated report; 1/

2. Expresses its thanks to all Governments and organizations that supplied the Special Rapporteur with information;

3. Takes note with satisfaction of Commission on Human Rights resolution 1990/22 of 27 February 1990, 2/ in which the Commission invited the Special Rapporteur:

(a) To continue to update, subject to annual review, the list of banks, transnational corporations and other organizations assisting the racist régime of South Africa, giving such details regarding enterprises listed as he may consider

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1/ A/45/552, annex.

2/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1990, Supplement No. 2 and corrigendum (E/1990/22 and Corr.1), chap. II, sect. A.

necessary and appropriate, including explanations of responses, if any, and to submit the updated report, through the Economic and Social Council, to the General Assembly at its forty-fifth session;

(b) To use all available material from other United Nations organs, Member States, specialized agencies and other relevant sources in order to indicate the volume, nature and adverse human consequences of the assistance given to the racist régime of South Africa;

(c) To intensify direct contacts with the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations and the Centre against Apartheid of the Secretariat, with a view to consolidating mutual co-operation in updating the report;

4. Calls upon all Governments:

(a) To co-operate with the Special Rapporteur in making the report even more accurate and informative;

(b) To disseminate the updated report and to give its contents the widest possible publicity;

5. Calls upon all Governments and organizations to maintain sanctions against the racist régime of South Africa until the total dismantlement of the apartheid system has been achieved, in conformity with the Declaration on Apartheid and its Destructive Consequences in Southern Africa, adopted by the General Assembly by its resolution S-16/1 of 14 December 1989 and contained in the annex thereto;

6. Invites the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities at its forty-third session and the Commission on Human Rights at its forty-seventh session to consider the updated report;

7. Requests the Secretary-General, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 43/92, to make available to the Special Rapporteur two economists to help him to develop his analysis and documentation on specific cases of special importance;

8. Also requests the Secretary-General to give the Special Rapporteur all the assistance that he may require in the exercise of his mandate, with a view to intensifying direct contacts with the United Nations Centre on Transnational Corporations and the Centre against Apartheid, and to consolidating mutual co-operation in updating his report;

9. Further requests the Secretary-General to bring the updated report of the Special Rapporteur to the attention of Governments whose national financial institutions continue to deal with the régime of South Africa, and to call upon them to provide the Special Rapporteur with any information or comments they may wish to present on the matter;

10. Requests the Secretary-General to contact the Government of South Africa with a view to enabling the Special Rapporteur to undertake a visit to South Africa on special mission within the perspective of the next update of the present report;

11. Invites the Secretary-General to give the updated report of the Special Rapporteur the widest distribution and publicity as a United Nations publication;

12. Decides to examine at its forty-seventh session, as a matter of high priority, the item entitled "Adverse consequences for the enjoyment of human rights of political, military, economic and other forms of assistance given to the racist régime of South Africa", in the light of any recommendations which the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, the Commission on Human Rights, the Economic and Social Council and the Special Committee against Apartheid may wish to submit to it;

13. Requests that the Special Rapporteur submit his updated report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

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